

To the Committee,

I encourage you to enact House Bill 2426. This will promote biological accuracy and consistency, enhance public safety, and improve administrative efficiency here in Kansas.

Biological sex is determined by an individual's chromosomes and anatomy before birth. This does not change. If Kansas allows alterations in records, it introduces inaccuracies and inconsistencies that reduce the dependability of official public and private documents. Correct labels help prevent errors in medical emergencies, as biological sex influences treatments such as drug dosages or pregnancy procedures. Inaccurate information could result in complications and legal issues for those who make decisions based on this information, as well as for the state for allowing these label changes.

The bill upholds fairness and safety in sex segregated facilities like prisons and shelters by preventing biological males from entering female-designated spaces based on their preferred identification.

HB 2426 ensures administrative uniformity across databases, reducing the risk of modified IDs evading verification and proper identification. It also avoids additional costs by eliminating the need for the many government system updates to accommodate multiple identity changes or duplicate identities, ultimately reducing the cost to the taxpayer. This bill aligns with existing statutes that do not authorize such modifications and addresses policy trends inconsistent with biological definitions.

This policy promotes data accuracy in government and statistics. Vital statistics for anti-discrimination, health, crime, or economic data all use the correct sex-based categories. Inconsistent markers could distort analyses, affecting policy and resource decisions.

Implementing HB 2426 will ensure consistency and efficiency in government documents and protect the citizens. Our records should be based on evidence rather than individual perceptions.

Concerned Citizen,

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